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OUTLINES.

The German Reichstag adopted the meat bill. —The Southern Presbyterian Assembly will meet next year at Little Rock, Ark. —President McKinley invited to attend celebration of opening of the S. A. L.'s new through line in Richmond, Va., June 2d. —Neely, the defaulting postal employe, is now charged with embezzling a sum approximating $400,000. —Engineer and fireman killed in a railroad wreck near Laurens, S. C. —The present session of the General Assembly of the Southern Presbyterian Church will not discuss a revision of the Confession of Faith. —Reported that one of the Boer envoys in Washington has advised Kruger to surrender. —Twenty-two miners lost their lives in the explosion at the Cumnock coal mine, Chatham county, N. C. —Officers of the Augusta, Ga., street railway have been indicted for violation of the State law requiring separation of whites and negroes on cars. —New York markets: Money on call easy at 1½@2 per cent., last loan at 2 per cent.; cotton easy, middling uplands 9 9-16c.; flour very firm and held higher in some instances; wheat—spot strong, No. 2 red 78¼c.; corn—spot strong, No. 42¾c.; rosin steady; spirits turpentine steady.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., May 23.

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 74 degrees; 8 P. M., 70 degrees; maximum, 78 degrees; minimum, 63 degrees; mean, 70 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .04; rainfall since 1st of the month up to date, .83 inches.

FORECAST FOR TO DAY.

WASHINGTON, May 23.—For North Carolina—Showers Thursday and probably Friday; fresh winds, mostly east to south.

Port Almanac---May 24.

Sun Rises	4.48 A. M.
Sun Sets	7.05 P. M.
Day's Length	14 H. 18 M.
High Water at Southport.	4.23 P. M.
High Water, Wilmington.	6.53 P. M.

The carpet-bagger maintains his reputation regardless of degrees of latitude or longitude or climate. See, for instance, how they are performing in Cuba.

Jim Clark, who made $1,000,000 running a tony cafe in New York, is now running a clam chowder stand on Cony Island, and other fellows have his $1,000,000.

Hon. Grover is going to take a trip to China with Mr. Benedict, in Benedict's yacht. It is a business and pleasure trip combined. If Grover runs up against Li Hung Chang, there will be a pair of daisies.

When in the Republican Convention in Kentucky the other day ex-Governor Bradley made some pathetic allusions to the would-be Gov. Taylor, Taylor who sat on the platform with his child on his knee, sobbed aloud. As a sobbist, he is more of a success than as a claimant.

Governor Allen surprised the natives of Porto Rico, by going ashore in a straw hat. And now he may surprise them still more by gadding around in one of the finest yachts ever seen in those waters, which the Government bought during the fracas with Spain and is now refitting at a cost $75,000, when she will be turned over to Gov. Allen.

It is said that the inn keepers in Kansas City who are laying for the people who go to the Democratic National Convention are going to charge extortionate rates and will not rent rooms for less than four days. Well, can't the Democrats find room enough on the prairies, and isn't the welkin good enough for July weather?

Some people seem to be born to have trouble come on them all in a bunch. A Hungarian in Pittsburg, Pa., the other day had all his arrangements made for his marriage, and when they got to the altar the woman he was going to wed changed her mind and the wedding was declared off, and then all his fellow-Hungarians who came to the wedding demanded a dollar apiece to pay for the day they lost in coming to see something that didn't happen.

The swellest dinner ever put up in a Paris hasherie was given by a young Pittsburg chap, who is now doing gay Par-e, to 25 guests, all of the bon-ton. The lay out cost $8,000, or $350 a plate. This young buck inherited a considerable part of a $40,000,000 fortune left by a father who worked up fortune's ladder beginning as a mechanic. The young man is doing his level best to see how soon he can get away with the wealth his sire toiled and planned to accumulate, and he is succeeding pretty well.

LOCAL DOTS.

— At the Opera House to-night.

— An excursion over the Atlantic Coast Line to Norfolk is announced for June 25th.

— Hon. Locke Craig will address the White Men of New Hanover at the Opera House to night.

— A license was granted yesterday for the marriage of Mr. B. F. Duke and Miss Fannie A. Ruark, both of this city.

— The tax listing blanks for the county were yesterday received from the Secretary of State at the Register of Deed's office.

— Wilmington Lodge No. 139, I. O. O. F., will confer the initiatory degree upon four candidates at the regular meeting to-night.

— Every voter in Wilmington should hear Hon. Locke Craig to-night. The Constitutional Amendment will be ably and thoroughly discussed.

— David Jacobs, Jr., colored, was bound over to the Criminal Court by Justice Bornemann yesterday on a charge of assault and battery with a deadly weapon. His father gave bond in the sum of $25.

— The STAR acknowledges with thanks, from the class of 1900, the receipt of an invitation to be present at the commencement exercises of the Tileston High School, Friday evening, May 25th, at 8.15 o'clock.

— The negro S. T. Shiver, who was sent to the hospital for treatment several days ago, discontinued his fasting yesterday and is no longer a wonder. Dr. Lane says he's eating regularly now and will be all right in a few days.

— The Charlotte *Observer* yesterday printed an excellent likeness of Capt. W. P. Monroe, of the Wilmington Fire Department, who is attending the tournament there and is acting as one of the judges in some of the fire engine contests.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Lyceum Theatre—"Sapho."
A. Shrier—Some new things.
The Sneed Co.—Refrigerators.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Wanted—Men.
Lost—Pocketbook.
For Sale—Stock of goods.

Another Fire at Mount Olive.

Mount Olive was visited by another destructive fire yesterday morning about 3.30 o'clock. The store and entire stock of general merchandise of Mr. B. H. Hatch were totally destroyed, entailing an estimated loss of about $3,000, with insurance to cover half the amount. The origin of the fire is unknown.

A correspondent of the STAR, writing last night, says that Mr. Hatch has twice lost his store and stock of goods by fire at Mount Olive within the past two years, on both of which occasions he saved not a single item of the property. Since his first fire he had built a handsome new brick store and had just begun to recover from the shock to his commercial career. The building burned was insured for $1,000 and the $2,500 stock of goods for only $500.

Closing of Schools.

The closing exercises of the city public schools will begin to-day. The Hemenway School will close with an exhibition of the work in the different class rooms, beginning at 11 o'clock and lasting until 1 o'clock. The Union School will have similar exercises to-morrow at the hours named above.

The final examinations at the Tileston High School have been in progress this week and will be concluded Friday.

Will Entertain at Linville.

A party composed of the following ladies and gentlemen left last night over the Atlantic Coast Line for Linville, N. C., where they will be the guests of Capt. and Mrs. Donald MacRae at a house party: Mrs. Hugh MacRae, Misses Mary Calder, Lucile W. Murchison, Annie Kidder, Annette Lewis, Mr. Keith Calder and Capt. and Mrs. MacRae.

Marriage at Elizabethtown.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Lyon, of Elizabethtown, have mailed to friends cards announcing the marriage of their daughter, Miss Margaret Bernard Stedman, to Mr. David Cunningham Sinclair, Wednesday, at noon, June 6th. The ceremony will be performed in the Methodist Episcopal Church at Elizabethtown.

Sailed For Europe.

Mr. Henry Walters and Mr. and Mrs. Pembroke Jones, Miss Sadie Jones, Master Pembroke Jones, sailed for Europe yesterday on the White Star Liner *Oceanic*. They will spend several months abroad and will visit the Paris Exposition before returning.

Board of Aldermen.

A special meeting of the Board of Aldermen is called for this afternoon at 4 o'clock to adopt the tax ordinance, and to consider bids for city lighting, by electricity, gas and oil. Several other matters of minor importance may also be taken up.

The best excursion of the season will be run to Norfolk next Monday, leaving Wilmington at 8 A. M., by Thos. H. Knight. Fare only $2.50. Separate coaches. †

COUNTY CONVENTION.

Brunswick Democrats Assembled at Lockwood's Folly and Named Candidates.

AMENDMENT SPEECHES MADE

Hon. Locke Craig Electrified the Convention With a Speech Bristling With Force—Mr. B. F. Aycock and George Rountree, Esq.

Yesterday was a great day for Brunswick county and the Constitutional Amendment. The occasion was the enthusiastic gathering of the white men of that section in county convention and the public speaking by prominent campaigners at Lockwood's Folly.

The rainfall and threatening weather in the afternoon would have interfered seriously with the success of the demonstration had the hour been later, but as the speaking began at 10.30 o'clock a large and enthusiastic crowd had already gathered and the conditions remained favorable until later in the afternoon.

The speaking took place from an improvised stand in front of McKeithan's store. Mr. B. F. Aycock, who has been conducting several days' campaign in Brunswick, speaking at different points, was the first to address the crowd. He was introduced by M. C. Guthrie, Esq., chairman of the County Convention, and was received with applause. He dealt principally with the Constitutional Amendment and his arguments were clear, concise and convincing. He spoke for about forty minutes and George Rountree, Esq., then made a short but effective speech dealing with the question, and introduced in very happy terms Hon. Locke Craig. The crowd was eager to listen and Mr. Craig was at his best. His speech was pronounced one of the very best yet heard in the campaign and his elucidations of the provisions of the Amendment were nothing if not convincing. "There is no doubt," remarked one who heard the speech, "but that great good was accomplished to-day in the very able argument of Mr. Craig, who is regarded as one of the very best campaign orators the State over. Many votes for the cause of White Supremacy in the doubtfully regarded county of Brunswick were gained by his plain sensible talk to the people to-day."

After the speaking the County Convention was called to order by Chairman Guthrie, and the roll call showed each township in the county well represented by enthusiastic and determined men. As the place of meeting is twenty-eight miles from the city and not accessible by telegraph a full report of the proceedings of the convention could not be secured, further than that Dr. D. B. McNeill, of Supply, was renominated for the Legislature. For this office there were two other aspirants, Messrs. F. M. Moore, of Phœnix, and Mr. J. N. Bennett, of Shallotte.

The party of Wilmingtonians, who left before day yesterday morning to attend the meeting, returned last night about 10.30 o'clock.

Mr. Craig returned with the party and is the guest of Mr. Rountree. He will speak in the Opera House here to-night and a large crowd will hear him. Mr. Aycock, who was advertised to speak at Shallotte to-day, decided that in view of the inclement weather it would be best to cancel the engagement and he also came to the city with the party last night.

Local Shipping Notes.

The schooner *Eva A. Danenhower* and *Sarah D. Fell* arrived yesterday morning with cargoes of coal from New York and Philadelphia, respectively. After discharging, the first named vessel will load with lumber at the Cape Fear Lumber Company and the last named will be loaded with piling by Messrs. W. H. Robbins & Bro. for Reedy Island.

The schooner *Lillie* cleared yesterday afternoon for Sanchez, San Domingo, with a cargo of lumber from the Chadbourn Lumber Company.

Two New Lodges Being Formed.

Wilmington is well called the "Home of Lodges." Besides those established long ago and the large number recently instituted, the city now has the promise of two others. An effort is being made to organize another "grove" of Druids and the "Banker's Union," an insurance fraternity with social features, is also being formed here. Both promise well and have strong points in their favor.

Dahnhardt Property Sold.

John H. Gore, Jr., Esq., has purchased of Mr. Daniel Quinlivan, executor and trustee of Delia Dahnhardt, the building and lot on Nutt street next south of Boney & Harper's mill and commonly known as the "John Dahnhardt place." The lot has 66 feet front on Nutt street and is 62 feet in depth.

Kerchner Residence Sold.

The STAR learns that Col. F. W. Kerchner has sold his handsome residence and lot, No. 412 South Front street, to Mr. T. Frank Simmons, manager of the Inter-State Telephone and Telegraph Company. The formal transfer has not taken place, but it is understood terms have been agreed upon.

Wanted by a young man, about 17 years old, a position in some office. Can write shorthand, about 100 words a minute, and do typewriting. Can give good references for character and other qualifications. Address O. W. K., this office. †

NEGROES SCALDED TO DEATH

Train Hands on the A. C. L. Work Train at South Washington Met With Fatal Accident.

Two train hands, Eli Frederick and Ben Mannor, both colored, were horribly scalded at South Washington on the Atlantic Coast Line Monday night by the blowing out of a stay bolt in the injector of an engine. They were brought here on a special train yesterday morning in a badly mutilated condition, and sent to the City Hospital, where they died shortly after noon from their injuries.

The accident was a horrible affair. Both men were fearfully scalded from head to foot and there was not a vestige of skin which had not been burnt. They were under the influence of narcotics when they arrived here on the special train in charge of Capt. J. J. Clemmons. The city ambulance met them at the depot and they were carried to the City Hospital.

One of the negroes died at 12 o'clock and the other at 1 o'clock. Their bodies were buried by the Atlantic Coast Line yesterday afternoon.

So far, the cause of the accident is inexplicable. Frederick was the fireman and Mannor a hand on the material train which was laying over at South Washington for the night. It is supposed that the negroes were asleep in the engine when the explosion occurred, but this is mere theory as no definite information concerning it could be obtained by the railroad officials up to last night. An investigation of the case will be made to day.

WILL PRESENT "SAPHO."

Lyceum Stock Co. Will Interpret Daudet's Production—Play Last Night.

"The Belle of Chinatown," the exceedingly clever drama from the pen of Mr. W. A. Al Somers, received its second production last night by the Lyceum Stock Company, and like the initial performance was a success. The cast was strong and each member ably interpreted his or her role. Mr. Somers personally directed the production and appeared in the leading role.

To morrow night the company will produce "Sapho." The regular Saturday afternoon matinee will be given, as usual, and to the pupil of the schools who creates the largest number of words out of the phrase "Lyceum Stock Company" will be awarded a prize. The price will be ten cents to all. There will be no performance either to night or Saturday evening.

RUNAWAY ON MARKET STREET.

Buggy Badly Broken Up—Driver Swung to Horse—Woman Slightly Hurt.

An exciting runaway occurred yesterday afternoon on Market street between Twelfth and Fifteenth, and it resulted in the smash-up of Mrs. P. M. McRary's buggy, which was being driven by Thomas Powell, the coachman. A colored woman was riding in the buggy with him and was slightly bruised when it was turned over at Twelfth street. The driver pluckily held to the reins and succeeded in stopping the frightened animal. The runaway was caused by the horse taking fright at a cart and when the driver attempted to stop him the bridle broke and made it impossible to keep the horse under further control.

Coming Excursions.

Mr. C. B. Hatch, of Hatch Bros., the well known excursion managers, was here yesterday and made arrangements for his inaugural trip to the seashore from Goldsboro and immediate points on June 14th. A low rate will prevail and a large crowd is expected.

The Baptist Sunday School of Lumberton will run another excursion this season to the beach over the Seaboard Air Line, and the date is Wednesday, June 6th. The train will leave Lumberton at 6 A. M. and return, leaving Wilmington at 5 P. M. The train will be run through to the beach, but a stop will be made in the city for the convenience of those who may not desire to go to Wrightsville.

J. R. Windley Won the Prize.

The judges of the W. L. I. target shoot at Carolina Beach last Monday awarded the prize for the 500 yards range to Mr. J. R. Windley, a member of the reserve corps. His score was 10 out of a possible 15. The next best score, 9, was made by Mr. W. A. Willson, Jr., also a member of the reserve corps. On account of the lateness of the hour when the shooting was finished, the judges deferred making their decision until later.

The prize is a handsome silver shaving set.

Broke Machinery.

On her trip out to Little River, S. C., Tuesday afternoon, the steamer *Seabright* broke the connecting shaft from her engine to propeller shaft and had to anchor about one and a half miles outside the bar and abandon the outgoing trip. She was towed into Southport Tuesday evening by the *Blanche* and brought up to the city early yesterday morning, where she is being repaired by the Wilmington Iron Works. The cargo was reshipped by schooner to points on her route.

Attention, Democrats.

Hon. Locke Craig, of Asheville, N. C., will address the citizens of Wilmington at the Opera House on Thursday evening, at 8 o'clock, on the issues of the day. Let every Democrat turn out and hear the amendment discussed by one of the ablest speakers in the State.

E. F. JOHNSON,
Chairman Dem. Co. Ex. Com.,
W. A. WRIGHT,
Secretary. †

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. W. A. White, of Raleigh, is at The Orton.

— Mr. George Honnett left last evening for New York.

— Mr. C. G. Cottingham, of Maxton, is at The Orton.

— Col. Walker Taylor returned yesterday morning from Raleigh.

— Mr. W. J. Allen and wife, of Chicago, are registered at The Orton.

— Capt. V. V. Richardson, of Whiteville, came down to the city yesterday.

— Mr. E. P. Boatwright left last night on a short visit to Richmond and Washington.

— Mr. G. W. Taylor and son, Hugh, of Jacksonville, N. C., were at The Orton yesterday.

— Miss Ann Donald and Miss Olivia Pritchett left yesterday morning for a visit to Baltimore.

— Dr. D. W. Bulluck is in Tarboro attending the convention of the North Carolina Medical Association.

— Mr. Jno. F. McNair returned to the city yesterday from Morganton, where he has been spending some time.

— Mr. W. S. Lining, of Camden, S. C., who buys cotton for Messrs. Alex. Sprunt & Son, is in the city on business.

— Mrs. Gertrude Mace, of Loris, S. C., is in the city on a visit to her father, Mr. Z. E. Murrill, on North Fourth street.

— Rev. Dr. Robert Strange and Col. John Wilder Atkinson left yesterday morning for Washington, N. C., to attend the Diocesan Council.

— Lieutenant Landin, of Fort Caswell, and bride arrived in the city yesterday and left for the Fort immediately. Lieutenant Landin was married March 15th to Miss Margaret Sanford, of Litchfield, Conn., and since the wedding they have been on an extensive bridal tour.

LAUNCH PARTY LAST EVENING.

Given by Lieutenants Dorry and Chiswell and Mrs. Dorry to Friends.

A very enjoyable "launch party" was given last evening by Lieut. and Mrs. Dorry and Lieut. B. M. Chiswell to a few of their friends on the *Algonquin's* alco-vapor launch. They went up the Cape Fear river quite a distance and then returned to the revenue cutter where a very pleasant informal entertainment was given them. Delightful music was rendered by the string band from the *Algonquin*.

The party consisted of Mrs. M. Broadnax, Miss Lola Martin, Miss Bettie DeRosset, Miss Mary Jennings Bellamy, Lieut. and Mrs. Dorry, Lieut. Chiswell, and Messrs. Walter Williamson, F. W. Dick, Richard Bradley, Clayton Giles and John D. Bellamy, Jr., 8rd.

FACULTY AND PUPILS

Of the High School Will Go to Sea on the Steamer Wilmington To-day.

The annual outing of the faculty and pupils of Tileston High School will take place to day. The occasion has been looked forward to with much pleasure. They will leave here on the *Wilmington* at 10 o'clock A. M. Stops will be made at St. Philip's Church, Old Brunswick and Southport. Before returning a trip will be made to sea for a distance of ten miles. The return to the city will be at 5 o'clock P. M. Any one else wishing to take a trip to sea can avail themselves of this opportunity.

Newbern Will See "Sapho."

Mr. J. K. Collier, of Collier & Cowan, proprietors of the Lyceum Stock Company, will leave this afternoon for Newbern to arrange for the appearance of the attraction there on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of next week. On Tuesday evening the company will present at Newbern the strong Western drama, "Not Guilty;" on Wednesday evening "Belle of Chinatown," and on Thursday "Sapho."

This morning at 10 o'clock the company will leave on the *Wilmington* for Southport, where to night will be given a splendid production of elite vaudeville. The return will be made on the afternoon boat Friday.

Residences Entered by Thieves.

Two residences were entered by burglars Monday night. The first was the house of Mr. Geo. Reaves on Fourth street between Dawson and Wright, but nothing was taken, the thief having been scared away. The other was the residence of Mrs. Alexander on Dawson between Third and Fourth streets. Several articles of clothing were stolen. There is no clue to the guilty parties.

Excursion from Mt. Olive.

The first excursion of the season arrived yesterday morning over the Atlantic Coast Line from Mount Olive. There were about 200 excursionists, white and colored. The train was composed of five cars. The excursion was run under the management of Messrs. Mallard and Fussell of Rose Hill. Many of the visitors spent the day pleasantly on the seashore.

Will Deliver Masonic Address.

Col. Waddell, of St. John's Lodge No. 1 A. F. & A. M., of this city, will deliver the address at the celebration of St. John's Day by the Masons of North Carolina at the Oxford Orphan Asylum grounds Saturday, June 23rd.

PRETTY DANCE LAST NIGHT.

Given by Miss Lord Complimentary to Night Class Pupils—Many Couples Participated in German.

The german at Germania Hall last night given by Miss Cammie Lord complimentary to her night school class was a very enjoyable social function, and despite the very inclement weather, was largely attended.

Those participating in the dance were:

Miss Cammie Lord with Mr. Harry Smallbones; Miss Etta Furpless with Mr. Lawrence Pinner; Miss Lizzie Struthers with Mr. Louis Keen; Miss Beth Daggett with Mr. Will Stone; Miss Jennie Harriss with Mr. Frank Harriss; Miss Mary Belle Sneed with Mr. Willie Grant; Miss Cornelia Fillyaw with Mr. Frank Shepard; Miss Daisy McEachern with Mr. Ed Heinsberger; Miss Dora Hopkins with Mr. Oscar Morriss; Miss Mary Harper with Mr. S. K. DeVaney; Miss Isabelle Struthers with Mr. Cliff. Hopkins; Miss Nessie Wescott with Mr. Frank Irvin; Miss Bessie Gore with Mr. Ray Powers; Miss Emma Greenabaum with Mr. Alex. Greenabaum; Miss Mary Cantwell with Mr. Paul Cantwell; Miss Guppy, of Illiaois, with Mr. J. A. Price; Miss Sallie McRee with Mr. Louis Hatch; Miss Nellie Platt with Mr. A. U. Wessell; Miss Nellie Heiser with Mr. Jas. O. Reilly.

STREET ROLLER DIDN'T ROLL.

Market Street Paving Slightly Delayed by Accident to "Big Locomobile."

The Market street paving was held up for awhile yesterday on account of the big steam roller's "refusal to roll," which was occasioned by its being "stuck" for several hours in a soft place in the earth on the south side of the street near Front. As the surface, therefore, could not be compressed the brick-laying was held up and will probably not begin until to-day if the weather will permit.

Superintendent Perry got the big machine out of the mire, so to speak, about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon and after moving to the centre of the street the roller worked nicely.

The operations of the big machine were watched curiously yesterday by many by-standers, who gathered to see the performance. There were no runaways.

BILLS IN THE HOUSE.

Representative Bellamy's Measure for a U. S. Court Clerk at Charlotte.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

WASHINGTON, D. C, May 23.—The committee on war claims in the Senate to-day reported favorably Senator Pritchard's bill referring to the Court of Claims the claim of William E. Woodbridge, of North Carolina, for compensation for the use by the United States of his invention relating to projectiles.

The Senate Committee on Pensions to-day reported favorably Senator Pritchard's bill granting a pension of thirty dollars a month to William B. Caldwell of North Carolina, of the Ninth Tennessee volunteer cavalry.

Representative Bellamy expects to secure at an early date from the House Committee on Judiciary a favorable report on his bill providing for a separate clerk for the United States Court, to be located at Charlotte. It is expected that he will meet with opposition from Representative Klutiz, who is opposed to the passage of the bill, believing it to be needless.

Representative Atwater left for North Carolina to-day, to be gone several days. Mr. Atwater said to-day that he expected to put in considerable time working for the amendment and the election of the Democratic ticket, which he says is as good as elected already.

Pleasantly Remembered Here,

Mr. J. B. Turner, who was until recently second assistant engineer on the United States revenue cutter *Algonquin*, and who was ordered to report for duty at Washington several weeks ago, has been ordered to Pittsburg, Pa., to inspect steel for the different materials used in ship-building, at the Carnegie Steel Works. After spending some time there, he will go to Richmond, Va., to assist in supervising the government ship building there which has been awarded to Trigg, the ship-builder.

Mr. Turner is very pleasantly remembered in Wilmington and his many friends wish him continued success.

Made Official Visit.

Mr. F. B. Arendell and W. C. Newlands, North Carolina penitentiary officials, yesterday morning went up to Castle Haynes on an inspection trip to the convict camp there. The work in the phosphate mines will just now admit of the removal of thirty of the convicts and these will be sent to the farms on the Roanoke river to assist in the harvesting of the wheat crop which will commence in about two weeks, after which time they with an additional number of laborers will be returned to the mines. The removal to the Roanoke farms will probably take place early next week.

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MOON'S PHASES.

First Quarter	6	8:39 a. m.	Third Quarter	21	3:31 p. m.
Full Moon	14	10:36 a. m.	New Moon	28	9:56 a. m.

The Morning Star.

BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

THURSDAY MORNING, MAY 24.

For White Supremacy.

STATE DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

For Governor:
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Lieutenant-Governor:
WILFRED D. TURNER, of Iredell.

Secretary of State:
J. BRYAN GRIMES, of Pitt.

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ROBERT D. GILMER, of Haywood.

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Corporation Commissioners:
FRANKLIN M'NEILL, of New Hanover.
SAMUEL L. ROGERS of Macon.

Superintendent Public Instruction:
THOMAS F. TOON, of Robeson.

Commissioner of Agriculture:
SAMUEL L. PATTERSON, of Caldwell.

For Judge of the Tenth District:
W. B. COUNCILL, of Watauga.

LITTLE DANGER OF OVERDOING IT.

Of all the manufacturing industries in the world cotton manufacturing is in the least danger of being overdone. There is not a country in the world where cotton goods are not in demand, and not a country in the world where the demand is not increasing and where it will not continue to increase. Whether cotton goods will ever be much cheaper than they are now will depend upon circumstances, but if they should be then the demand will increase the more, for the better able the people will be to buy them. The cheapening of the goods has been the principal factor in the steady increase in the demand, and so it will continue to be; the cheaper they are the more will be used, but they will probably never be cheap enough not to leave a reasonable margin of profit for the manufacturer, who could thrive on a much smaller profit than he makes now, even at the present low price of goods. As an illustration of the steady and large increase in the demand for goods, we clip the following from the Charleston *News and Courier*:

In an address delivered before the Cotton Spinners' Association at its meeting in Charlotte last Saturday, Mr. A. B. Sanford, president of the American Cotton Yarn Exchange, of Boston, gave some statistics of the growth and present status of the cotton spinning industry in this country which are of general interest.

After noting that the total number of spindles in Great Britain on January 1, 1900, as estimated, was 46,000,000, it is stated that the total for the United States on the same date was 21,000,000, the total for the New England States was 18,955,000 and the total for the Southern States, "including the year 1900," is 5.250,000.

The increase in the number of spindles in New England is shown by decades as follows:

1840	1,597,400
1850	1,800,000
1860	3,859,000
1870	5,498,300
1880	8,632,100
1890	10,836,200
August, 1899	13,955,000

"The last row of figures, it is added, 'represent $280,000,000 of capital, this magnificent result speaking volumes for the thrift and energy of our New England manufacturers and operatives, which means so much for the prosperity of the New England States.'

"The exhibit for the South for the same period is as follows:

1840	180,900
1850	230,000
1860	298,600
1870	327,900
1880	1,554,000
1890	3,670,290
For 1900	5,250,000

"The last figures, as before noted, include 2,000,000 estimated to be added this year, the total representing $125,000,000 invested in the cotton industry in this section, 'a most magnificent showing for our Southern manufacturers and operatives.'"

These figures show a remarkable increase in the number of spindles in New England within half a century, and a still more remarkable increase in the South, especially in the latter half of the half century, but they also show that the increase in the demand for goods in this country, for the work of all these spindles found purchasers at home, a very small percentage of it being shipped abroad only $23,566,000 compared with the world's exports of $500,658,000 worth, of which England furnished $328,325,000 worth. Of the total exports the mills of the United States have only 5 per cent., other cotton manufacturing countries having the 95 per cent. Practically the demand for home consumption took about all the goods our mills made.

Our population increases at the rate of about a million a year, which means a million more people every year to be clothed with, and to otherwise find use for cotton, and that at the end of a decade means ten millions of people, enough to keep a considerable number of mills busy and give employment to a large sized army of operatives. When the demand for home consumption ceases to yield as much profit as desired, then to prevent prices from going below the safety line our manufacturers must look for other markets, which they will find a more business-like and in the end a more profitable way of doing business than running short time to reduce stock and work off surplus on hand.

What a wide field there is for endeavor in that direction is shown by these quoted figures that the United States have only five per cent. of the world's total exports of something more than $500,000,000, while England has had and still has the lead in the world's markets with her $328,325,000, nearly fifteen times as much as the mills of this country export. Isn't there room enough in all this for expansion of our cotton manufacturing industry, which when it finds itself cramped at home may find relief by branching out, as the tired man sometimes finds relief in stretching his legs.

There are, of course, advantages in locations particularly adapted to that industry, but as for the foreign trade it is not a matter of import where the mills are located, for the people who buy goods don't care where they are made nor who makes them, provided the goods and the price suit. The cost of production and the cost of delivery will be the deciding factors when it comes to fighting for entry and a foothold in foreign markets.

This being so, what is to prevent the United States, which have all the advantages other countries have, and the raw material, too, which they have not, from successfully competing with them for the world market when it becomes expedient to make a determined effort for it? The millers of this country should not be content with five per cent. of the world's exports, and Southern men should not be willing to ship raw cotton abroad to the men against whom they have to compete, when this cotton could be manufactured at home and give the section that grows the cotton the profit that now goes to the foreign mill operators who manufacture it. Even with the remarkable increase in the number of spindles in the South not more than one eighth of the cotton grown in the South is manufactured in the South, and yet the remainder of it is manufactured somewhere. The world needs it all and will need more, so there is little danger of the cotton manufacturing business being overdone, especially in the South, which grows the cotton.

SETTLED AT LAST.

The long pending imbroglio in Kentucky which has several times brought the State to the verge of civil war, has at last been settled by the decision of the Supreme Court, in pursuance of which J. C. W. Beckham, Democrat, becomes the recognized lawful Governor and W. S. Taylor, Republican claimant, gives up the contest and withdraws from the stage. This case had gone through all the State courts and finally on appeal was taken to the Supreme Court of the United States, where six of the judges decided that the court had no jurisdiction, the previous legal proceedings having been in accordance with State law, and three judges dissenting. Of the former three were Democrats and three Republicans, while all of the latter were Republicans.

Nowhere in the annals of contested State elections, within our reading, do we remember of a more stubborn, exciting and protracted contest than this, made more exciting by the assassination of the Governor-elect Goebel, the men of the State being practically under arms for much of the time, civil war narrowly averted and every device that could be thought of by the lawyers resorted to by both parties to maintain their respective claims.

Having failed in the State courts the Republican claimants tried the Federal courts, and finally by appeal got the case into the Supreme Court of the United States, which put a happy quietus upon it by deciding that the State courts are the courts of jurisdiction, and that Kentucky is a sovereign State.

Robbed the Grave.

A startling incident, of which Mr. John Oliver, of Philadelphia, was the subject, is narrated by him as follows: "I was in a most dreadful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated pain continually in back and sides, no appetite—gradually growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Fortunately, a friend advised trying 'Electric Bitters;' and to my great joy and surprise, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks, and am now a well man. I know they saved my life, and robbed the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only 50 cents, guaranteed, at R. R. BELLAMY, Drug Store. †

NO RIGHT TO COMPLAIN.

The Republican machine-runners and office-seekers in Virginia are opposed to calling a constitutional convention, on which the people vote to-day, because one of the principal objects in calling the convention is to revise the constitution and adopt restricted instead of the unrestricted suffrage, which now prevails. Of course this will disfranchise a good many negroes, and that is why the aforesaid machine-runners and office-seekers are opposed to a convention. Referring to this we clip the following, under the head of "Well Put," from the Richmond *Dispatch*:

"The Staunton *Spectator* says:

'A party which has been a disfranchiser of white people simply because those white people would not, if permitted to vote, vote the Republican ticket, is not in any very good position to condemn anybody else for doing the thing it was the first to do in the State.'

"Well put, that. The Republican party of Virginia, to day, which is howling against the proposition to restrict negro suffrage, is the legitimate offspring of the party which fram d the Underwood Constitution, and sought to disfranchise a sufficient number of the State's true sons to perpetuate negro, carpet bag and scalawag domination in Virginia forever."

This applies with as much pertinence to North Carolina as it does to Virginia. Republican politicians in this State have no more right to howl at restricted suffrage than the Virginia Republican politicians have to howl at it there, and aside from the disfranchisement of white men by their party they are inconsistent in doing so for the Republican politicians in both of these States have been systematically disfranchising negroes ever since the negroes have been voters by using them as tools and denying them the representation their number entitled to in the councils of the party and in the public positions and offices won by their votes. They are opposed to their disfranchisement now because when this is done they can no longer use these negro votes for their own benefit.

BUT ONE COURSE TO PURSUE

Yesterday we published an extract from a letter of Mr. E. A. Conrad, a prominent Populist of Forsyth county, giving reasons why he supports the proposed constitutional amendment. We have also published letters or extracts from letters of prominent Republicans in various sections of the State, giving the reasons why they support it. The following, which we clip from the Watauga *Democrat*, is from Thomas P. Smith, a Republican of Watauga county:

"There is a great question before the people of North Carolina this year. It is the question of permanent white supremacy or permanent negro equality. Men who are trying to save the negro from eternal and just obscurity are telling the white men of North Carolina who are unable to read and write that they are in danger of being disfranchised.

"Now, there is not a sound-minded man in the State who if he will but stop a moment and reason, that will believe the silly arguments put up by these so-called leader.

Mr. Editor. I am a Republican, but when it comes to a direct question of whites vs, negroes, I can not, in justice to the Anglo-Saxon blood that flows in my veins, array myself on the side of the African. I am for White Supremacy "first, last, and all the time."

As a Republican, I consider that the Republican leaders in the State have made a serious mistake in placing themselves as a hinderance in the pathway of progress, for it is a self-evident fact that the Old North State can never be anything of which to be proud so long as we have negroes in the halls of Congress and in our State Legislature.

"White Republicans who do not believe in negro equality have but one course to pursue, and that is to repudiate the leaders of the party in the State and vote for the Amendment."

This is from the section of the where the anti-amendment fellows are trying to play the big racket on illiterate voters by trying to make them believe the amendment will disfranchise them. They are not fooling Mr. Smith much with that kind of rot, and doubtless the voters out there generally see through it as well as he does.

The pressure against Commissioner of Pensions Evans was too strong and he had to hand in his resignation. He found the position uncomfortable because he had an idea that there should be some honesty in the administration of the affairs of the office and therefore favored lopping off frauds in the pension lists and denying pensions to frauds. This didn't suit the pension attorneys and the grabbers and they continued to make it so hot for him that he concluded to resign.

The cold has been so intense in France recently that visitors to the Exposition have been compelled to wear furs, overcoats, &c. That looks like rather a cool welcome to the sight-seers.

A Thousand Tongues

Could not express the rapture of Annie E. Springer, of 1125 Howard st., Philadelphia, Pa., when she found that Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption had completely cured her of a hacking cough that for many years had made life a burden. All other remedies and doctors could give her no help, but she says of this Royal Cure—"It soon removed the pain in my chest and I can now sleep soundly, something I can scarcely remember doing before. I feel like sounding its praises throughout the Universe." So will every one who tries Dr. King's New Discovery for any trouble of the Throat, Chest or Lungs. Price 50c. and $1.00. Trial bottles 10c. at R. R. BELLAMY'S Drug Store; every bottle guaranteed. †

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Goldsboro *Argus*: The first shipment of beans from this market went forward to-day to the Northern markets. —— Henry Powell, a bright mulatto, was locked up in the city jail last night for using a knife on Georgia Watson. She was cut severely and some of the wounds are of a serious nature.

— Raleigh *News and Observer*: Daniel Persons, a colored man, living four miles east of Kittrell, had his house burned early Tuesday morning, consuming five of his children. The mother had just left home, carrying the oldest child and leaving the five asleep. A short while after she left the house burst into flames. There had been no fire in it. The children were found burned just where they lay, showing that they had not been playing with matches.

— Statesville *Landmark*: In Sharpesburg township Thursday afternoon Mr. Jerry Bowles, aged about 87 years, was thrown from a wagon by a runaway horse and received injuries from which he died in about an hour. —— Generally speaking, the prospects are unusually good for a fine wheat crop this year, but the recent dry weather has damaged it in some sections. The *Landmark* learns that ex-Sheriff Bailey, of Davie, who is one of the largest and most successful farmers in this section of the State, will probably make 4,000 to 5,000 bushels of wheat this year.

— Greensboro *Telegram*: Perhaps the biggest law suit Randolph county has ever had and one of the biggest in the State is now on at Asheboro. The suit is a contest over the will of the late Dr. J. M. Worth. A caveat to the will has been filed by Robert W. Bingham and other legatees. The interest in the suit may be inferred from the array of the counsel employed. The propounders are represented by Col. Morehead, of Greensboro; B. F. Long, of Statesville; Simmons, Pou & Wood, of Raleigh, and M. A. Robbins and W. C. Hammer, of Asheboro, while the caveators are represented by Watson, Buxton & Watson, Winston; Bynum & Bynum and G. S. Bradshaw, of Greensboro, and C. L. Sapp, of Asheboro.

— Fayetteville *Observer*: Thos. Fort was taken to Hope Mills Tuesday morning by Sheriff Burns for trial before Magistrate D. J. Cashwell, on the charge of attempted criminal assault on Mrs. James B. Driver. The Sheriff had assurances, before taking the prisoner to the scene of the alleged crime, that no violence would be offered him. Sheriff Burns returned with his prisoner this afternoon. There was a large crowd at the trial, but no suspicion of disturbance at all. Mrs. Driver and her nurse testified, and as the prisoner introduced no testimony, he was bound over to the criminal court on their evidence. His bond was fixed at $700. —— We have seen well developed wheat almost ready for the thrasher, in fact it will be ready in two weeks, from the farm of Mr. J. G. Laton near Dunn, N. C.

— Clinton *Democrat*: Hon. F. A. Woodard, referee appointed by the Superior Court to take testimony and report the facts in the cases brought by Mr. W. A. Dunn, receiver of the Clinton Loan Association, against Mr. A. F. Johnson & Co., has filed his report after a full investigation of all evidence submitted. His report finds as a conclusion of law that, instead of the defendants owing the Clinton Loan Association the sums for which suits were brought, the association is actually indebted to Mr. A. F. Johnson in the sum of six thousand two hundred fifty two and 79 100 dollars. Mr. Woodard therefore recommends to the court that judgment be entered against the plaintiffs and in favor of Mr. Johnson for said amount due him together with the interest thereon and that the plaintiff be also taxed with the costs. This finding of the referee establishes the truth of Mr. Johnson's contention and is a complete vindication for him.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— The gentleman from Indiana in whom everybody reposed the greatest confidence confesses that he, following the fashion, helped himself to the Cuban postal funds. It didn't require a vast amount of time for him to become inoculated with the germs of loot.—*Washington Post Ind.*

—— Republicans are boasting of the formation of a Republican party in Porto Rico as evidence of the appreciation of the people of the way they have been treated by the Administration. They forgot to inquire or to report as to how many members of the new party are not officeholders or officeseekers.—*Brooklyn Citizen, Dem.*

—— Detectives from Washington are watching all those connected with the men suspected of postal frauds in Cuba. Perhaps a little watchfulness in advance of the thefts might have paid better, but it is the old rule to watch the stable most carefully after the horse has been stolen. And the thieves evidently count on powerful protection, for they do not run nor seem afraid; will this be another case of a pleasant trip to the penitentiary in a palace car and a brief sojourn till public indignation has subsided?—*Jacksonville (Fla.) Times-Union and Citizen, Dem.*

— No Danger: "He sat on my joke." "That was safe." "Safe?" "Yes. There wasn't any point to it." —*Harlem Life.*

TWINKLINGS.

— Decidedly Unfair: Dolly—"Did that famous author send you his autograph, Polly?" Polly—"No; but he kept mine, the mean, impudent thing!" *Chicago Record.*

— Strategy: "Lily, would you spend this $5 on plates or on a plate rack?" "Get the plate rack, Nancy; when your friends see it empty they'll be forced to give you some plates."—*Chicago Record.*

— They Are Numerous: Ida—"I don't believe these keys are of genuine elephant's teeth?" May—"How funny that sounds." Ida—"What, dear?" May—"Why, a piano with false teeth." *Chicago News.*

— Sure Sign: "I am certain that Sue is engaged to Mr. Dinkey," said Miss Kittish to Miss Flypp. "Why, she never mentions him." "That is what convinces me. She used to make all manner of fun of him."—*Detroit Free Press.*

— At a Low Ebb—"I repeat, gentlemen," said the orator, "the influence of the press has departed—Give way, there, you fellows in front, and stop crowding the reporters. How can they do their work under such conditions?"—*Phil. North American.*

— A Matter of Course: "Now," said Mr. Meekton, as he got into his overcoat and pulled on his mittens, "I must go home and explain to Henrietta." "Is she demanding an explanation?" "Certainly." "What about?" "My dear sir, how do I know? I haven't been home yet."—*Washington Star.*

— Foxy Sages: Jimmy—"Scientists predict dat in two million years dis world will be nuthin' but a vast ball of ice!" Johnny—"Dem scientists is foxy! Yer notice dey never predict nuthin' on a dog fight er a prize fight er a election; it's allus suthin' yer can't nail 'em wid a bet on!"—*Puck.*

— An Impression of Size: "Did you dance until the wee sma' hours?" asked one young man. "No, I didn't. We danced till the last car had gone, and I had to walk three miles. They were the biggest hours I ever remembered having encountered."—*Washington Star.*

AUGUST COTTON.

Price, McCormick & Co.'s Circular—Higher Prices Expected.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, May 23.—Messrs. Price, McCormick & Co., in their circular issued to-day say: August and July contracts on the New York Cotton Exchange to day have been in a state of semi-panic, declining respectively 27 and 30 points. This tremendous and almost unparalled decline has been the result of a panicky liquidation on the part of those people who were long of August in anticipation of an August corner. It has not, perhaps, occurred to them as they sold their August that a corner in order to be successful must be comparatively without what are known as Tailers and the large amount of this cotton which has been liquidated technically strengthens the situation. The statistical position continues to gain daily in strength, and with or without an August corner August cotton in the neighborhood of 8½ cents seems to us cheap cotton. We would not advise our friends to attempt to follow manipulators, but simply to make up their minds when cotton is cheap, and when it is cheap, as we think it is at present prices, to buy it, selling it when they secure a reasonable profit. It remains our confident conviction that August cotton on its merits will sell at 9½ cents or higher in New York before the season closes, and at 5½d in Liverpool before the maturity of August-September.

[Signed] PRICE, MCCORMICK & CO.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in the Port of Wilmington, N. C., May 24, 1900.

STEAMSHIPS.

Aquila, 1,407 tons, Andreassen, Bremerhaven, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

SCHOONERS.

Sarah D Fell, 509 tons, Loveland, George Harriss, Son & Co.

Eva A Danenhower, 217 tons, Johnson, New York, George Harriss, Son & Co.

BARQUES.

Francis S Hampshire, 999 tons, Van-Horn, J T Riley & Co.

BRIGS.

M C Haskell, 289 tons, Wingfield, George Harriss, Son & Co.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

W. & W. Railroad—2 bales cotton, 9 casks spirits turpentine.

W. C. & A. Railroad — 25 casks spirits turpentine, 76 barrels rosin, 13 barrels tar, 69 barrels crude turpentine.

A. & Y. Railroad—7 casks spirits turpentine, 5 barrels tar.

W. & N. Railroad—3 bales cotton, 14 casks spirits turpentine, 13 barrels rosin, 9 barrels crude turpentine.

Steamer Seabright—24 casks spirits turpentine, 43 barrels rosin.

Schooner Maggie C.—140 barrels rosin.

Total—Cotton, 5 bales; spirits turpentine, 79 casks; rosin, 272 barrels; tar, 18 barrels; crude turpentine, 78 barrels.

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BAGGING—		
2 lb Jute	8½ @	9
Standard	@	9½
Burlaps	6 @	6¼
WESTERN SMOKED—		
Hams ℔ lb	14½@	15
Sides ℔ lb	@	8
Shoulders ℔ lb	@	8
DRY SALTED—		
Sides ℔ lb	@	7½
Shoulders ℔ lb	@	7½
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—		
Second-hand, each	@ 1 40	
New New York, each	1 40@ 1 50	
New City, each	1 40@ 1 50	
BEESWAX ℔ lb	@	25
BRICKS—		
Wilmington ℔ M	6 75 @ 7 00	
Northern	9 00 @ 14 00	
BUTTER—		
North Carolina ℔ lb	20 @	25
Northern	25 @	30
CORN MEAL—		
Per bushel, in sacks	@	53
Virginia Meal	@	53
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle	1 40 @ 1 45	
CANDLES—℔ lb—		
Sperm	18 @	25
Adamantine	8 @	11
CHEESE—℔ lb—		
Northern Factory	12 @	13
Dairy Cream	13½@	14
State	11½@	13
COFFEE—℔ lb—		
Laguyra	13 @	16
Rio	9½@	11
DOMESTICS—		
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard	@	5½
Yarns, ℔ bunch of 5 lbs	@	70
EGGS—℔ dozen	10 @	11
FISH—		
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ barrel	22 00 @ 30 00	
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ half-bbl	11 00 @ 15 00	
Mackerel, No. 2, ℔ barrel	16 00 @ 18 00	
Mackerel, No. 2 ℔ half-bbl	8 00 @ 10 00	
Mackerel, No. 3, ℔ barrel	13 00 @ 14 00	
Mullets, ℔ barrel	@ 4 00	
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel	7 00 @ 7 75	
N. C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg	3 00 @ 3 25	
Dry Cod, ℔ lb	5 @	10
" Extra	4 35 @ 4 50	
FLOUR—℔ bbl—		
Low grade	3 00 @ 3 25	
Choice	@ 3 75	
Straight	3 85 @ 4 00	
First Patent	4 25 @ 4 50	
GLUE—℔ lb	10½@	11½
GRAIN—℔ bushel—		
Corn, from store, bgs—White	58 @	60
Car-load, in bgs—White	56½@	57
Oats, from store	38 @	40
Oats, Rust Proof	@	45
Cow Peas	90 @ 1 00	
HIDES—℔ lb—		
Green salted	@	6½
Dry flint	10 @	12½
Dry salt	@	9
HAY ℔ 100 lbs		
Clover Hay	@ 1 00	
Rice Straw	40 @	50
Eastern	90 @ 1 00	
Western	90 @ 1 00	
North River	80 @	85
HOOP IRON, ℔ lb	3½@	3½
LARD, ℔ lb—		
Northern	7½@	8¾
North Carolina	8 @	10
LIME, ℔ barrel	1 15 @ 1 20	
LUMBER (city sawed) ℔ M ft—		
Ship Stuff, resawed	18 00 @ 20 00	
Rough edge Plank	15 00 @ 16 00	
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00 @ 18 00	
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00 @ 22 00	
Scantling and Board, com'n	14 00 @ 15 00	
Common mill	5 00 @ 6 50	
Fair mill	7 50 @ 8 00	
Prime mill	8 50 @ 10 00	
Extra mill	10 00 @ 10 50	
MOLASSES ℔ gallon—		
Barbadoes, in hogshead	@	25
Barbadoes, in barrels	@	28
Porto Rico, in hogsheads	28 @	30
Porto Rico, in barrels	28 @	32½
Sugar House, in hogsheads	13 @	14
Sugar House, in barrels	14 @	15
Syrup, in barrels	15 @	25
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut, 60d basis	2 95 @ 3 00	
PORK, ℔ barrel—		
City Mess	@ 13 50	
Rump	@ 14 50	
Prime	@ 13 00	
ROPE, ℔ lb	10 @	22
SALT, ℔ sack, Alum	@ 1 25	
Liverpool	90 @	95
American	85 @	90
On 12c ℔ Sacks	@	2c
SHINGLES, 7-inch, per M	5 00 @ 6 50	
Common	1 60 @ 2 25	
Cypress Sage	2 50 @ 2 75	
SUGAR, ℔ lb—Standard Gran'd	@	5¼
Standard A	@	5¼
White Extra C	@	4¾
Extra C, Golden	@	4¼
C Yellow	@	4¼
SOAP, ℔ lb—Northern	3½@	4
STAVES, ℔ M—W. O. barrel	6 00 @ 14 00	
R. O. Hogshead	@ 10 00	
TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping	9 00 @ 10 00	
SHINGLES, N.C. Cypress sawed ℔ M 6x24 heart	7 50 @ 8 50	
" Sap	5 00 @ 6 00	
5x20 Heart	3 00 @ 3 50	
" Sap	2 00 @ 2 50	
6x24 Heart	5 00 @ 6 50	
" Sap	3 00 @ 5 50	
TALLOW, ℔ lb	@	6
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon, Northern	1 00 @	2 00
No rth Carolina	1 00 @ 1 60	
WOOL per lb—Unwashed	15 @	19

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COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, May 23.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Nothing doing.

ROSIN—Market steady at $1.05 per bbl for strained and $1.10 for good strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.40 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Market firm at $1.85 per barrel for hard, $2.90 for dip, and —— for virgin.

Quotations same day last year.—Spirits turpentine, nothing doing; rosin firm at 95c@$1.00; tar firm at $1.35; crude turpentine steady at $1.35 2.40@2.40.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	79
Rosin	272
Tar	18
Crude turpentine	78

Receipts same day last year.—94 casks spirits turpentine, 196 bbls rosin, 75 bbls tar, 16 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market quiet on a basis of 9¼c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	7 13-16 cts.	℔ lb
Good ordinary	8¾	" "
Low middling	8 13-16	" "
Middling	9¼	" "
Good middling	9⅝	" "

Same day last year middling quiet at 5¾c.

Receipts—5 bales; same day last year, 2.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS — North Carolina — Prime, 70c. Extra prime, 75c per bushel of 28 pounds; fancy, 77½@80c. Virginia—Prime 50c; extra prime, 55c; fancy, 60c.

CORN—Firm, 53 to 53½ cents per bushel.

ROUGH RICE—Lowland (tide-water) 85 cents; upland, 50@60 cents. Quotations on a basis of 45 pounds to the bushel.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 10 to 11c per pound; shoulders, 7 to 8c; sides, 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five-inch hearts and saps, $2.25 to 3.25; six-inch, $4.00 to $5.00, seven-inch, $5.50 to 6.50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $3.50 to 9.00 per M.

LOCAL SECURITIES.

Quotations on local securities, furnished and regularly corrected by Hugh MacRae & Co:

STOCKS.	BID.	ASKED.
A. C. L. of Conn., 5 per ct. Certs	110	115
A. C. L. of Conn., stock	240	225
A. C. L. new preferred W. I.	103½	104½
A. C. L. of S. C.	...	...
A. C. L. new Common. W. I.	64½	66½
Wilmington & Weldon	...	...
W. & W. 7 per ct Certs	140	...
N. C. R. R.	150	160
Wilmington Compress Co.	...	10
Delgado Mills	106	110
Wilmington Cotton Mills, pfd.	110	115
Wilmington Gas Light Co.	70	74
Carolina Insurance Co.	110	...
Underwriters' Insurance Co.	106	...
National Bank of Wilmington	110	115
Atlantic National Bank	200	...
Murchison National Bank	110	112
Guardian Security Co.	103	...
W'il. Savings & Trust Co.	300	...
Blue Ridge National Bank	110	115
Warren Manufac'ing Co., preferred	...	106
Abbeville Cotton Mills	123	103½
Southern Cotton Mills	...	101
Piedmont Manufacturing Co.	185	200
Pacolet Manufacturing Co.	250	...
F. W. Poe Manufacturing Co.	127	132
Anderson Cotton Mills	127	132
Pelzer Manufacturing Co.	...	200
Union Cotton Mills, preferred	...	104
Gaffney Manufacturing Co.	130	134
Greenwood Cotton Mills	102	105
Grendel Cotton Mills	105	108
Clifton Manufacturing Co.	...	300
Orr Manufacturing Co.	102	105
McColl Manufacturing Co.	...	150
Darlington Manufacturing Co.	93	97
BONDS.		
N. C. 4's	106	107½
N. C. 6's	134	138
City Wilm. con. 5's, gold, 1922	115	116
City Wilm. con. 5's, cur.	102½	103½
City Wilm. 5's 1919	100	...
City Wilm. 6's	101	...
Masonic Temple 1st 6's	105	...
Masonic Temple 2d 6's	...	103½
Wilmington Compress Co.'s 5's	85	...
Wilmington & Weldon 5's	117	120
A. C. L. 4's	90	92
N. H. County 5's, gold	100	106
City of Wilmington 4's, 1929	101	103

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, May 23.—Money on call easy at 1¼@2 per cent.; last loan 2 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 3½@4½ per cent. Sterling exchange easy; actual business in bankers' bills 487½@487¾ for demand and 484¼@484½ for sixty days. Posted rates were 485¼ and 489. Commercial bills 484@484¼. Silver certificates 60@61. Bar silver 60. Mexican dollars 47½. Government bonds irregular. State bonds irregular. Railroad bonds irregular. U. S. refunding 2's 103½; U. S. 2's, reg'd, 99¾; U. S. 3's, reg'd, 109¼; do. coupon, 109¼; U. S. new 4's, reg'd, 134½; do. coupon, 134¼; U. S. old 4's, reg'd, 115¼; do. coupon, 115¼; U. S. 5's, reg'd, 113¼; do. coupon, 113¼; N. C. 6's 130; do. 4's, 106; Southern R'y 5's 112. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 76⅞; Chesapeake & Ohio 27¾; Manhattan L 90¼; New York Central 131⅝; Reading 17¼; do. 1st prefer'd 56½; St. Paul 115⅞; do. preferred 173¼; Southern Railway 12½; do. pref'd 55; American Tobacco, 92¾; do. pref'd 128; People's Gas 99¾; Sugar 114¾; do. pref'd 111; T. C. & Iron 75½; U. S. Leather 11½; do. preferred 69¼; Western Union 79¾.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, May 23.—Rosin was steady. Spirits turpentine steady.

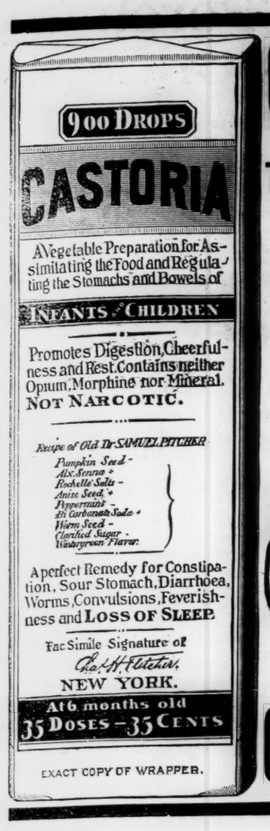
CHARLESTON, May 23.—Spirits turpentine quiet at 47½c; sales — casks. Rosin quiet; sales — barrels. Quotations unchanged.

SAVANNAH, May 23.—Spirits turpentine firm at 48½c; sales 933 casks; receipts 1,725 casks; exports 6,724 casks. Rosin firm; sales 1,358 barrels; receipts 3,303 barrels; exports 6,767 barrels.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, May 23.—Great excitement prevailed at the Cotton Exchange to day. An enormous business was transacted. The market opened with a bullish flourish and made an advance of three to six points on the first call, with active buying in anticipation of an advance from recent continuous declines. It soon became apparent, however, that the liquidation of long accounts was not over. Southern selling was very heavy and it turned the market. Private advices said that Southern planters were quite generally eager to secure the prices for their crop and they would remain sellers so long as the present high average of crop accoun



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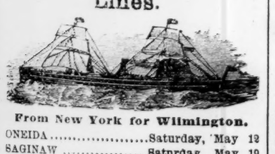

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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA,
NEW HANOVER COUNTY.

PETITION TO SELL LAND FOR TAXES.
The City of Wilmington
vs.
Jane E. Costin, Miles F. Costin, Cornelia Costin, W. T. Costin, W. B. Costin, George Costin, Bertha Costin, Frances Williams, Thomas Williams, Jane Lablaux, Jno. C. Davis, H. L. Fentress.

The defendants, W. T. Costin, W. B. Cestin, Geo. Costin, Bertha Costin, Frances Williams, Thomas Williams, Jane Lablaux, Jno. C. Davis, above named, will take notice that the summons in the above entitled action was issued against said defendants on the 30th day of April, 1900, issuing out of the Superior Court of said county, which summons is returnable before the Judge of said court, at a stated term thereof, to be held in the Court House in the City of Wilmington, N. C., on the third Monday after the first Monday in September, 1900, it being the 24th day of September, 1900, at which time and place the said defendants are required to appear and answer or demur to the complaint herein filed, or the relief demanded will be granted.

And the said defendants will take notice that this is an action for the enforcement of the collection of taxes assessed upon certain realty, and for the foreclosure of the lein of the same, situate within the city of Wilmington and county and State aforesaid and particularly described in the complaint herein.

This 9th day of May, 1900.

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Rev. Bill Scroggins was a character in a border county of Missouri in 1844. How he acquired the ecclesiastical prefix and what he did under the title were stories which used to be told in the farmhouses of what is now known as Cass county.

They said he had been a snake charmer when he was a young man, that he traveled about the country as a sort of magician and that he showed farmers with his divining rod where to dig wells.

The people of what was then a frontier country assembled once a year in their respective communities and held camp meetings. On one of these religious occasions Bill followed the crowd with his bag of reptiles. The minister, an old man whose face was like that of a patriarch, told the story in a sermon of Moses lifting up the brazen serpent in the camp of Israel under the command of Jehovah. The Missouri farmer who used to entertain travelers with the recital said that the congregation was not particularly moved by the appeal, but after its delivery Bill Scroggins got up and announced that he had a bag of real, crawling, hissing reptiles which he would exhibit after dinner just outside the camp ground, and he claimed that he would show the people some snake tricks which would beat the Mosaic story they had just heard.

In spite of the protest of the minister the people turned out to the live snake show, and Bill gave them an exhibition which was a great success. It is said, or it used to be said, that there wasn't a snake trick which Bill Scroggins' serpents didn't do. When the exhibition was over, Bill told the people that he was a sort of missionary himself in connection with his business of locating wells and that he would call on each member in the evening and advise with them as to their spiritual and worldly wants.

When he called, his first question was, "Have you got a well?" If the reply was in the negative, and wells were scarce, Bill informed the member that he must have one located, and then he opened his bag of snakes and as they began crawling Bill lifted up his voice and called the people to repentance. He told them the snakes would do no harm if they (the people) would give him the job of locating wells.

It was a tax on human belief, but the Missourian who told the story vouched for the truth of his assertion that the people gave Bill more orders than he could fill in one season and that he broke up the camp meeting. He was the first heretic in the west, although the word was unknown in that country then. He became famous and was in demand. Wherever he traveled he had his bag of trained snakes, and he waxed fat and became independent.

Whenever there was any doubt about the success of any movement the word was passed that Rev. Bill Scroggins should be summoned.

People in that section believed in ghosts, as many more enlightened people believe in them in this day. There was one ghost which had done a lively business along the highway between the county seat and a river known to this day as Bear creek. It was the custom of this ghost to chase belated horsemen over the highway until the ford at Bear creek was reached. There the chase stopped. The ghost never crossed the stream.

When the fame of Rev. Bill Scroggins had spread abroad, it was suggested that he travel over the Bear creek road and try his hand on the spirit. Bill accepted the call. He made a number of journeys before the ghost materialized, and there were people who began doubting the existence of the ghost, while others cited Rev. Bill as one who could overcome anything, and by that token he had made the ghost take to the woods. The community was equally divided.

However, the ghost showed up one night in the midst of a storm and challenged Rev. Bill to ride for his life. The snake ecclesiastic refused, and there was a contest in which Bill's horse was killed, and he was left afoot. The ghost got the bag of snakes and escaped to the ford, where Bill overtook him on the following day, and the contest was renewed. The ghost undertook to turn the snakes on Bill, but they refused to act. Bill got possession of them and turned them on the spirit. They drove the spirit into Bear creek and across it, and the spirit fled, and that was the end of the ghost in that country.

Bill returned in triumph to the county seat and told the story. It was received with some doubt, but as years slipped by and nobody was chased people began to believe Bill, and apologies came in rather late. But Bill was vindicated. Then he mysteriously disappeared.

Some years later a den of snakes was discovered in what is now Bates county, Mo., the adjoining county on the south to Cass, and in this den was discovered the skeleton of a man. In the opinion of many the skeleton was none other than that of Rev. Bill Scroggins. So well was his memory revered that the bones were collected from the snake den, and when the first courthouse was built in Cass county, it is said, they were placed in a box under the cornerstone and were found there years after when the old courthouse was demolished.—Brooklyn Eagle.

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Some Big Salaries.

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At His Word.

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Customer—Yes; you may give me a dollar's worth of cracked wheat. Here's 50 cents.—Columbus (O.) State Journal.

Home Manners.

The young wife's ideals begin to be shattered when she sees her husband put his feet on the best chair.—Philadelphia Record.

Dublin Car Drivers.

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An Exception.

"The saying that 'satan finds some mischief for idle hands to do' is all right so far as it goes," said the thoughtful man, "but there are cases in which it needs revision."

"Mention one," returned the sarcastic man.

"The case of the armless wonder in the time museum, for instance."—Washington Star.

Two Kinds.

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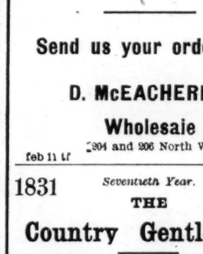

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RESOURCES.

Loans	$ 791,947.68
Overdrafts	173.78
U. S. Bonds at par	196,100.00
Banking House and Fixtures	10,000.00
Due from app'd res've agt's $ 65,592.00	
Due from other banks	147,690.21
Cash on hand	83,427.98—296,710.19
Total	$1,294,931.50

LIABILITIES.

Capital	$ 125,000.00
Surplus and undivided profits	106,546.18
Circulation	45,000.00
Deposits U. S Treas	$150,375.00
Deposits from Banks	145,414.89
Deposits from individuals	691,395.92
Certificates of Deposit	80,000.00—1,017,085 41
Total	$1,294,931.50

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

	Apr. 26 '98.	Apr. 26, '99.	Apr. 26, 1900
Total deposits	$695,500	$790,200	$1,017,000
Surplus and net profits	78,700	92,700	106,500
U.S. bonds at par	40,100	93,600	196 100

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DAILY 9.35 A. M. No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 11.10 A. M., Warsaw 11.24 A. M., Goldsboro 12.21 P. M., Wilson 1.16 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.53 P. M., Tarboro 2.31 P. M., Weldon 4.32 P. M., Petersburg 6.28 P. M., Richmond 7.35 P. M., Norfolk 5.55 P. M., Washington 11.20 P. M., Baltimore 1.03 A. M., Philadelphia 3.50 A. M., New York 6.53 A. M., †Boston 3.00 P. M.

DAILY 6.50 P. M. No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.20 P. M., Warsaw 8.33 P. M., Goldsboro 9.37 P. M., Wilson 10.20 P. M., †Tarboro 7.04 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.11 P. M. Weldon 1.04 A. M., †Norfolk 10.25 A. M., Petersburg 2.57 A. M., Richmond 5.23 A. M., Washington 7.01 A. M., Baltimore 8.20 A. M., Philadelphia 10.35 A. M. New York 1.03 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday 2.25 P. M No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.13 P. M., Newbern 5.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND.

DAILY 3.45 P. M. No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.56 P. M., Chadbourn 5.28 P. M., Marion 6.34 P. M., Florence 7.15 P. M. Sumter 8.57 P. M., Columbia 10.20 P. M. Denmark 6.12 A. M., Augusta 7.25 A. M. Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M. Charleston 10.50 P. M., Savannah 1.05 A. M., Jacksonville 7.20 A. M., St. Augustine 10.30 A. M., Tampa 8.05 P. M.

WEST BOUND.

DAILY 9.00 A. M. No. 53—Passenger—Due Fayetteville 12.05 P.M., leaves Fayetteville 12.25 P. M., arrives Sanford 1.43 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 6.00 P. M. No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston †1.00 P. M., New York *2.30 P. M., Philadelphia 12.30 A. M., Baltimore 2.55 A. M. Washington 4.30 A. M., Richmond 9.05 A. M., Petersburg 9.48 A. M., Norfolk 2.00 A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.21 P. M. Rocky Mount 12.52 P. M., Wilson 2.40 P. M., Goldsboro 3.30 P. M., Warsaw 4.22 P. M., Magnolia 4.35 P. M.

DAILY 9.20 A. M No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 9.00 A. M., Philadelphia 11.33 A. M., Baltimore 1 46 P. M., †Washington 3.07 P. M., Richmond 6.48 P. M., Petersburg 7.21 P. M., †Norfolk 2.20 P. M., Weldon 8.58 P. M., †Tarboro 6.00 P. M., Rocky Mount 5.40 A. M. Leave Wilson 7.58 A. M., Goldsboro 8.45 A. M., Warsaw 7.28 A. M., Magnolia 7.51 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 9.00 A. M. No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 10.20 A. M.

Sunday 12.15 P. M.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 1.15 P. M No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 8.10 A. M., Sanford 3.07 P. M., Jacksonville 8.00 P. M., Savannah 1.45 A. M., Charleston 6.33 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M. Macon 9.00 A. M., Augusta 2.30 P. M., Denmark 4.17 P. M. Columbia 6.40 A. M., Sumter 8.10 P. M., Florence 9.55 A. M., Marion 10.30 A. M., Chadbourn 11.35 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.05 A. M.

EAST BOUND.

DAILY 6.40 A. M. No. 52—Passenger—Leave Sanford 2.30 P. M., arrive Fayetteville 3.41 P. M., leave Fayetteville 3.46 P. M.

*Daily except Sunday.

Wilmington and Weldon Railroad, Bennettsville Branch—Train leaves Bennettsville 8.15 A. M. Maxton 9.30 A. M., Red Springs 9.53 A. M., Hope Mills 10.42 A. M., arrive Fayetteville 10.55 A. M. Returning leaves Fayetteville 4.40 P. M., Hope Mills 4.55 P. M., Red Springs 5.35 P. M., Maxton 6.15 P. M., arrives Bennettsville 7.15 P. M.

Connections at Fayetteville with No. 78, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore Railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line and Southern Railway, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad.

Train between Rocky Mount and Richmond leave Rocky Mount 7.00 A. M., arrive Weldon 8 06 A. M., arrive Petersburg 10 A. M., arrive Richmond 11.05 A. M.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3.55 P. M., Halifax 4.15 P. M.; arrive Scotland Neck 5.08 P. M., Greenville 6.57 P. M., Kinston 7.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.50 A. M., Greenville 8.53 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.18 A. m., Weldon 11.33 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.10 A. M. and 3.30 P. M.; arrive Parmele 9.10 A. M. and 4.00 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 9.35 A. M. and 6.30 P. M.; arrives Washington 11 00 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 P. M.; Sunday, 4.15 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 7.40 P. M. and 6.10 P. M. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7.50

The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

THURSDAY MORNING, MAY 24.

TERRIBLE EXPLOSION AT CUMNOCK COAL MINES.

Twenty-two Miners Killed—Heartrending Scenes at the Entrance of the Shaft. The Cause of the Explosion.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

RALEIGH, N. C., May 23.—Twenty-two miners, ten white men and twelve negroes, lost their lives in an explosion at Cumnock coal mines, Chatham county, N. C., yesterday afternoon.

The explosion occurred at 4.30 o'clock and is supposed to have been caused by a broken gauze in a safety lamp.

The accident was in what is known as the East heading and between forty and fifty men were in the mine at the time. Five were brought out alive from the East heading, while none of the men in the other parts of the mine was injured.

The names of the killed are as follows: Whites—John Connolly, mine superintendent; Joe Glass, James McCarthy, Wesley Clegg, John Gatewood, William Tyson, John Hankey, John Willet, Robert Gatewood, one unknown. Colored—Sim McIntyre, Joe Fagin, Robert Reeves, Joe Taylor, John Lee Palmer, Peter Palmer, Dan Gordston, Will Reeves, Allie Bynum, Jim Macks, Jim Palmer, John Hubard.

The scenes at the entrance to the mine, where many of the wives and children of the dead men gathered, were heartrending. The bodies of the victims of the explosion were prepared for burial and the funerals of several took place to-day.

John Connolly, the mine superintendent, came to this State about three years ago, from Pittsburg, Pa. He leaves a wife and three small children.

The mines are situated at Cumnock, in Chatham county, about six miles from Sanford. They have been long used in a desultory way, but in 1898 Samuel Ahenzy, of Philadelphia, organized a company and put in modern machinery. There are two shafts, one a small affair for ventilation and the other, the main-working shaft, is eight by twelve feet and is considerably more than 500 feet in depth.

In December, 1895, an explosion took place at this same mine, in which 43 lives were lost. This explosion was caused by fire damp though of those killed on this occasion, many lost their lives from the resulting explosion of almost two hundred and fifty pounds of dynamite that was stored in the mines. Two other explosions, occurred here many years ago.

SOUTHERN PRESBYTERIANS.

The Present Session of the General Assembly Will Not Discuss a Revision of the Confession of Faith.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ATLANTA, May 23.—No discussion on a revision of the Confession of Faith of the Presbyterian Church will arise in the present session of the Southern General Assembly.

The overture from the Brazos, Texas, presbytery asking a change regarding the death of infants, was to-day reported negatively by the committee to which it had been referred, and the report was adopted by the assembly, precluding the possibility of a discussion over the confession.

Several important reports were received during to-day's session.

Regarding the memorial from R. J. Shaw, in which he recites numerous alleged wrongs done him by the Presbytery of North Mississippi, the committee says the assembly has no means of affording the opportunity of appeals for which he prays. The action of the Synod of Memphis, dismissing R. J. Shaw from the ministry, was sustained.

Relative to the overtures from the Synod of Alabama and Presbyteries of Memphis and Norfolk regarding the re-marriage of divorcees, ministers were admonished to be careful of the home, but no change was recommended. The answer to the overture was docketed for debate.

The following overtures were also considered:

From the Synod of North Carolina, asking the General Assembly to interpret whether or not members of the church may vote by proxy. Answer: Voting by proxy is not allowed. Adopted.

From the Presbytery of Florida, from Suwanee and from the Presbytery of St. John, asking that a quorum of Synod shall be representatives from two presbyteries instead of three, as at present. Answer: We recommend the General Assembly send down to the presbyteries for approval the following amendment to the book of church order, so that paragraph 82, last clause, shall read as follows: "Provided this number include representatives from a majority of the presbyteries constituting the synod." Adopted.

SALEM FEMALE COLLEGE.

Re-union of Alumnea Association—Addresses—Centennial Memorial.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SALEM, N. C., May 23.—The attendance upon the annual reunion of the Alumnea Association of Salem Female College this afternoon was the largest of any meeting yet held. Addresses were made by Bishop Ronthaler, H. E. Fries and others on the proposed plan to erect a centennial memorial auditorium in 1902, when the college will be one hundred years old. A handsome sum was raised this afternoon, making the auditorium a certainty. The corner-stone is to be laid on the day the school reaches the century mark. Mrs. Lindsay Patterson was elected president of the association, Miss Adelaide Fries secretary, and Miss Lou Shaffner treasurer.

The grand concert given by the college to-night was largely attended and greatly enjoyed. Rev. Dr. W. W. Moore, of Richmond, Va., who will deliver the annual address to-morrow, arrived to-night.

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CUBAN FRAUDS IN THE SENATE.

Two Notable Speeches in Defence of McKinley's Conduct of Affairs.

MESSRS. PLATT AND SPOONER

Senator Hale of Maine Criticised the Government's Course—Tillman Called Attention to Evils of Carpet-Bag Rule—The House.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, May 23.—This was a day of rasping political controversy and oratory in the Senate. With the controversy those on the Democratic side of the chamber, anomalous as it may seem, had little to do. What, by far-seeing Senators is regarded as likely to be the paramount issue of the approaching national campaign was the subject of two notable speeches. One by Mr. Platt, of Conn., and the other Mr. Spooner, of Wisconsin. The former was in an answer to the speech delivered a few days ago by Senator Bacon, of Georgia, on his resolution demanding an investigation of financial affairs in Cuba. Mr. Platt favored the adoption of the resolution, but deprecated what he declared was a cheap effort to make political capital out of a shameful condition of affairs, which the Republican party needed no prodding to induce it to probe to the bottom.

The speech of Senator Spooner was a continuation of his address of yesterday on the Philippines question. In its course he became involved in a heated and sensational colloquy with Senator Hale, of Maine, over the government's conduct of affairs in our "insular possessions."

It was a remarkable controversy between two of the best equipped debaters in the Senate.

Senator Spooner will continue his speech to-morrow.

The Morgan resolution calling on the Secretaries of War and of the Navy for information relative to the cost of transportation of troops and supplies to the Philippines was agreed to.

The Bacon resolution, directing the Committee on Relations with Cuba to investigate the receipts and expenditures in Cuba, was called up. Senator Platt, chairman of that committee, spoke thereon at length. General Wood, he said, had been led to suppose, about a month ago, that there had been irregularities in the service under Mr. Rathbone. He immediately pressed an unsparing inspection. He gave General Wood credit for the discovery of these wrong doings and the administration credit for probing them to the bottom. The disclosures, he added, are a direct blow to every citizen of the United States and the wrong doing of Neely, the more sad and shameful, since it occurred where a great work of freedom and philanthropy is going on. Neither the Republican administration nor the Committee on Cuban Relations, he insisted, needed any prodding from the opposition party to induce a most searching investigation and summary punishment of all the wrong doers. But he reminded the Democrats that this has been the first instance of its kind during the administration, and argued that President McKinley has demonmonstrated his determination that no guilty man in these Cuban frauds shall escape.

"The amount of irregularities in Cuba appear to have been $45,000 during the last year. The frauds may have begun earlier. But it is not to be supposed there will be a loss to the Cuban revenues or to the United States treasury. This trouble has been seized upon by our political opponents to indicate by innuendo and not by direct charge that the fraud has been wholesale and that the Cuban people have been 'plundered' out of millions of dollars by dishonest contracts and various fraudulent devices. Who knows there have been dishonest contracts down there? Nobody; but if there have we shall find out."

He protested against Congress interfering with the investigation instituted by the Postmaster General as likely to defeat the ends of justice.

Senator Tillman called attention to the railroad constructed along the south side of Havana harbor and suggested he would produce some witnesses regarding that matter if it was investigated. Senator Platt said that Director of Posts Rathborne's appointment was merited, but if he were found involved in these financial difficulties he would be punished unsparingly. Neely, he said, had the confidence of people of Indians, but went wrong, bringing disgrace and humiliation on this country rather than upon the administration. The allowances to the United States officers in Cuba, he said, were reasonable and proper.

Senator Bacon, Georgia, demanded to know why we did not come away from there.

The conference report on the Army Appropriation bill was then agreed to.

Mr. Spooner resumed the speech he began yesterday on the Philippines and on the Cuban situation.

Senator Hale, Maine, suggested it would have been better if we had abandoned Cuba in view of what had happened. He said we would have been better off if we had not taught the Cubans the lesson that has been taught in the last few months—the lesson of fraud, peculation, cheating, appropriation of revenues, stealing—a carnival in every direction of corruption and fraud.

Senator Spooner (warmly)—It is a little tiresome for me to be called upon on this side of the chamber to reply to a Democratic speech.

Senator Hale—I am as a good a Republican as the Senator from Wisconsin. I do not recognize any party obligations that compel consent to the proposition that everything has gone right in Cuba.

Senator Spooner—Nobody pretends it.

Senator Hale—I do not think the experiment has been a failure. I would vote to-morrow to withdraw from Cuba and leave that people to establish and set up and maintain their own government. The time will soon come when Republicans will be glad when we get out of this thing without worse things happening than are now.

"What does the Senator mean," demanded Senator Spooner, "when he speaks in general terms of a carnival of fraud and corruption?

"I mean the things disclosed. A bill of particulars has been filed already," said Senator Hale.

Senator Spooner—Has the Senator any suspicion in his mind or in his heart that the pledge made in the resolution passed by Congress as to the temporary character of our occupation in Cuba is not to be kept?

Mr. Hale—I have very grave suspicion. I think there are very powerful influences in this country, largely located in New York city, largely speculative and connected with money making enterprises, that are determined that we shall never give up Cuba. I think that the time will never come unless something earnest and drastic is done by Congress so that the last soldier of the United States will be withdrawn from Cuban soil. I do not think the President favors holding Cuba. I discovered very powerful influences—commercial, mercantile, money and political—that are opposed to our ever withdrawing from Cuba. I take up the newspapers that are foremost in the large cities and I find every day intimation and hints that we are never to withdraw from Cuba.

Senator Tillman declared that our agents on the island were carpet-baggers, and the sooner they get out the better.

Continuing, Mr. Spooner said that if Mr. Bryan should ever become President of the United States he believed he would appoint men to proceed to Cuba and other island possessions just as President McKinley was appointing them.

After a spirited colloquy between Mr. Spooner and Mr. Tillman, in which the latter expressed the belief that Mr. Bryan, as President, would settle the pending question in a way different way from that adopted by Mr. McKinley, Mr. Allen, Nebraska, rose and protested against making a political foot ball of Mr. Bryan's name.

At 5.20 P. M. the Senate adjourned.

House of Representatives.

The House to-day passed without division the extradition bill framed by the Judiciary Committee, but only after a debate in which considerable political rancor was aroused. There was no division of sentiment as to the duty of Congress to pass a bill to permit the extradition of Neely, but the Democrats objected to the language of the bill which covered "any foreign country or territory or part thereof, occupied by the United States." The Democrats wanted the bill to apply specifically to Cuba, contending that the broader language assumed the possibilities of further acquisitions by the United States of a character similar to that of Cuba. A motion to recommit, with instructions to change the language, was defeated by a strict party vote.

The House also adopted the resolution to allow the Committee on Ways and Means to sit during the recess of Congress for the purpose of framing a bill for the reduction of war revenues and the resolution for a *sine die* adjournment June 6. The former resolution drew the opposition of the Democrats, who insisted that Congress should reduce the war taxes at the present session; but Mr. Payne, the majority leader, showed from the treasury figures that the refunding of the bonds now going on would practically wipe out the surplus for this fiscal year. He contended that it would be unsafe to reduce the taxes at this time. In the course of the debate Mr. Richardson, minority leader, announced that he was in favor of the repeal of the war tax on beer.

Mr. Ray, New York, chairman of the Judiciary Committee, asked unanimous consent for the consideration of the Neely Extradition bill. It was arranged that there should be forty-five minutes debate on each side.

Mr. Dearmond launched into a bitter and scathing denunciation of the "peculation and wholesale robbery proceeding with the rapid exploitation of imperialism in Cuba."

Mr. Dearmond desired to offer an amendment providing that while Cuba was occupied by the United States, offenders in Cuba who flee to the United States should be surrendered upon written requisitions.

Mr. Cannon, Illinois, characterized Mr. Dearmond as a "chronic calamity howler."

Mr. Williams, Mississippi, pointed out the inconsistencies of the present situation—the United States surrendering offenders to herself. It was the natural outcome, he declared, "of carpet baggery."

Mr. Fleming, Georgia, said the language of the bill should especially apply to the island of Cuba to show to the world that we had no intention of again replacing ourselves in the position we now occupy toward Cuba. The language of the bill would raise an unwarranted suspicion that we contemplated the invasion of other territory in the future.

Mr. Dearmond attempted to offer his amendment but was ruled out of order. Mr. Dearmond appealed to the chair, but it recognized Mr. Payne's motion to lay the appeal on the table.

A good deal of feeling was manifested.

The appeal was laid upon the table—129 to 103.

The bill was finally passed without division.

The Postoffice Appropriation bill was sent back to the conference. The resolution for recess sittings of the ways and means committee was adopted without division.

At 5:10 p. m. the House adjourned.

GUARDED BY MILITARY.

Negro on Trial at Boydton, Va., for the Murder of Mr. Peter Jones.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

RICHMOND, VA., May 23.—Advices from Boydton, where Stephen Baptist, the negro, is on trial for the murder of Peter Jones, are to the effect that to-day was an uneasy one there. When, yesterday the court, with the prisoner under guard of the Richmond military, visited the scene of the murder, which is near Buffalo Springs, a crowd gathered and at one time it was thought that an attempt would be made to take Baptist and lynch him, but the party got back to Boydton without trouble. This morning a crowd came to Boydton from the neighborhood of the murdered man's home, and there were ominous mutterings, which resulted in the court being held under the protection of the bayonet. The military stood in line just in the rear of the bar. After the argument, however, the crowd seemed satisfied that the jury would to-morrow bring in a verdict of guilty, and dispersed to their homes. At midnight the report was that the situation was unchanged.

FEDERAL PRISONERS.

Investigation of Charges of Cruel Treatment at Raleigh Penitentiary.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, May 23.—The U. S. Attorney General has received a report from Raleigh, N. C., of the investigations into the charges that the warden in the State prison there had shot and killed a Federal prisoner without cause. The Attorney General will soon pass upon the report, which will show, it is said, that the prisoner attempted to attack the warden with a stick. The warden fired on him, wounding him in the leg. The wound developed blood poisoning and caused death.

The remaining Federal prisoners in the penitentiary charge wanton and cruel treatment of prisoners in general. For more than a year no prisoners have been sent there, and it is now probable that all those in prison will be withdrawn and place elsewhere.

Editor's Awful Plight.

F. H. Higgins, Editor Seneca (Ill.) *News*, was afflicted for years with Piles that no doctor or remedy helped until he tried Bucklen's Arnica Salve. He writes two bottles wholly cured him. It's the surest Pile cure on earth and the best salve in the world. Cure guaranteed. Only 25 cents. Sold by R. R. BELLAMY, Druggist. †

ROBERTS DRIVING THE BOER FORCES

British Infantry North of Kroonstad Drawing Near to the Transvaal Border.

BOERS RETIRING TO THE VAAL

Some of Their Force Already Across the River—Asserted That Pretoria is Able to Stand a Year's Seige. The Fighting at Mafeking.

By Cable to the Morning Star

LONDON, May 24, 4.30 A. M.—Lord Roberts is drawing near to the frontier of the Transvaal. His infantry masses are thirty three miles north of Kroonstad, at the Rhonoster river. Some thousands of cavalry are already across the river. The Boers are retiring towards the Vaal with their heavy baggage. They are reported from Pretoria as already across that river. Twelve thousand men and four guns compose the retreating army. Trains continue to run from Veronniging, at the Vaal, to Pretoria.

Foreign engineers assert that Pretoria is able to stand a year's siege.

The Boer forces continue to dwindle, some correspondents asserting that only about 24,000 of the hardiest fighters yet remain.

It was announced at Pretoria Sunday that the government proposed removing the British prisoners from Pretoria.

Lady Sarah Wilson cables: "The fighting before the relief was very hard. A severe struggle proceeded yesterday (May 16th) from 2 P. M. until dusk. The Boers were forced slowly to retreat, contesting every inch. At sunset they still held the last position.

"Col. Mahon entered the town in the brilliant moonlight. The Boers were as tired out as we were, and they never guessed that an attempt would be made to force an entry before the morning. Therefore their surprise was complete. They deserted their laagers, leaving a lot of food, which was divided among the people of Mafeking."

Dr. Leyds, according to the Brussels correspondent of the *Daily Express*, has quarrelled with the Transvaal government. A representative of Paul Kruger is alleged to have demanded an accounting respecting 500,000 pounds sterling ($2,500,000) that has passed through Dr. Leyds' hands. Dr. Leyds is said to have replied that the money had all been expended, and to have expressed indignation when asked for an itemized statement.

Flying From the Country.

The Lorenzo Marques correspondent of the *Times* says:

Mrs. Reitz, wife of the Transvaal State Secretary, and her children have gone to Europe on the Bundersrath, which is believed to have taken a large quantity of bullion, and possibly several important Boer politicians.

British Driving the Boers.

LONDON, May 23.—The War Office late this evening published the following from Lord Roberts:

"*South Bank of the Rhenoster River, May 23, 1.30 P. M.*—We found on arrival here this morning that the enemy had fled during the night. They had occupied a strong position on the north bank of the river, which had been carefully entrenched; but they did not think it advisable to defend when they heard that Ian Hamilton's force was at Heilbron and that our cavalry, which had crossed the Rhenoster some miles lower down the stream, were threatening their right and rear.

"The bridge over the Rhenoster, several culverts and some miles of the railway were destroyed.

"Ian Hamilton's force drove the Boers under Ret de Wet before them from Lindley to Heilbron. The passage of the Rhenoster was strongly disputed. Our loss might have been heavy but for a well concerted plan which brought Smith Dorrien's brigade on the enemy's flank just at the right moment.

"The officer commanding at Boshof reports that upwards of 350 Free Staters have surrendered during the last few days, and that they have given up 360 rifles, 100 horses and a large amount of ammunition."

Boers Abandon Douglas.

DOUGLAS, CAPE COLONY, Tuesday, May 22.—A force under General Warren, consisting of mounted infantry Imperial yeomanry and two guns of the Canadian artillery, left Rooi Pan, on the night of May 20, and marched in two columns, under Colonels Hughes and Spence. Nothing was seen of the Boers until the British were within two miles of Douglas. Colonel Hughes' column advanced in skirmishing order and after lengthy exchange of shots, the Boers fled, leaving their laager and a quantity of stores and ammunition.

Again to-day 300 Boers opened a hot fire on a detachment of yeomanry and the Canadian artillery reported. Their excellent practice compelled the enemy to retire.

Boers Surrender at Vryburg.

KIMBERLEY, May 22.—About 800 Boers have surrendered at Vryburg, (north of Kimberley and a little more than half way between that place and Mafeking.)

The road is all clear from Mafeking and all opposition in this district is practically ended.

Advised to Surrender.

CAPE TOWN, May 23.—It is reported here that President Kruger has received a communication from Abraham Fischer, one of the Boer delegates now in the United States, advising him to surrender on the best terms obtainable from Lord Roberts. It is also understood that when Lord Roberts crosses the Vaal river he will issue a proclamation announcing that if the burghers return to their farms, their property and stock will be respected.

CHARLOTTE'S CELEBRATION.

Parades and a Sham Battle—Firemen's Contest—South Carolinians Win.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., May 23.—The 125th anniversary of the signing of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence is being celebrated in Charlotte this week with elaborate ceremonies. F. I. Orborne was orator of the day. There have been a number of parades and also a sham battle by the State military companies and visiting companies. The events to day were the Firemen's contest, in which the South Carolinians carried off the palm. Palmetto No. 2, of Columbia, broke the record of the South for horse hose wagon races, lowering it by a fifth of a second. Time, 38 1-5.

President McKinley has been invited to attend a banquet in Richmond, Va., on June 2, in celebration of the opening by the S. A. L. of a new through railroad line from Richmond to Tampa, Fla. The President said he would attend if he found he could do so.

MORE RIOTING IN ST. LOUIS.

Battle Between Strikers and Policemen. An Officer Killed--Child Fatally Shot and Conductor Severely Injured.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ST. LOUIS, May 23.—Renewed rioting and another fatality marked the progress of the strike to day. This afternoon a Cass avenue car was stopped at the corner of Twenty-third and Cass avenue to remove a barricade which had been placed across the track. During the halt, a mob attacked the car, firing a number of shots. One of the bullets struck special policeman Duncan K. McCrea, who was riding on the front platform with the motorman, in the left arm, passing through his body and coming out on the right side. The policeman sank unconscious to the floor and died subsequently at the dispensary. Other patrolmen then charged the crowd and beat them back. A riot call was sent in and a dozen mounted policemen came up at full gallop and restored order. McCrea was about sixty years old, and was appointed to the force last Monday. He was a Mexican war veteran, and served as a private during the civil war on the Confederate side. He comes of a prominent family in New Orleans.

Eddie Manz, three years old, was probably fatally shot through the leg this afternoon by a man on a Cass avenue car. The boy was sitting on the front door step, when some boys who had been throwing stones at a westbound Cass avenue car, ran up the alley south of the house. A man who is supposed to be an emergency policeman leaned out from the car and fired a shot at the fleeing boys, hitting, however, little Manz.

R. B. Hodge, a conductor on the Tower line, is a patient at St. John's Hospital, suffering from injuries which it is feared will prove fatal. He was assaulted by a crowd of men on his car at the crossing of Salina street yesterday. One of them struck Hodge over the head with a club, inflicting an ugly wound. While some of the crowd held him, others seized the moterman, H. L. Kobusch and stopped the car. Then Kobusch was dragged from the car. Emergency Policeman Alexander Dunn, who was detailed on the car, attempted to interfere but four men surrounded and disarmed him. Several of them struck him in the face. The assailants knocked Hodge down and kicked him until he was unconscious. Kobusch and Dunn eluded the crowd and ran across the open field to the power house, two blocks away, where they obtained the aid of a squad of police.

It is said there is no prospect of another conference between the Transit company and its striking employees.

SOUTH CAROLINA POLITICS.

Prohibitionists Put a State Ticket in the Field and Will Make a Strong Fight in the Coming Election.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

COLUMBIA, S. C., May 23.—The Prohibitionists of the State held a conference here to-night at which a large number of counties were represented, and decided to make a determined fight against the State's liquor traffic and for prohibition. Colonel James A. Hoyt, of Greenville, was nominated for Governor and Colonel James L. Tribble, of Anderson, for Lieutenant Governor. Nominations for other State officers were not made, but the support of the Prohibitionists will be given candidates who come out on their platform.

The fight is all within the Democratic party and will be settled in the Democratic primary. There will be a county-to-county campaign in which the dispensary will be supported by the present Governor, Miles B. McSweeney, and by Frank B. Gary, speaker of the House, and A. H. Patterson, both of whom are dispensary candidates for Governor.

Prohibition carried the State in 1892, and the dispensary law was enacted as a compromise between saloons and an iron-clad prohibition. The Prohibitionists claim that they were not treated right.

Colonel Hoyt is editor of the Greenville *Mountaineer*, was a gallant Confederate soldier, and has served as chairman of the State Democratic Executive Committee.

CUBAN POSTAL FRAUDS.

Neely, the Defaulting Employe, Charged With Embezzling $400,000.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, May 23.—Papers are today en route from Washington to New York which will result in the preferring of other charges against Charles F. W. Neely, now confined in the Ludlow street jail.

It is ascertained that these papers were sent from Cuba to the department at Washington and charge the alleged defaulting postal employe with the embezzlement of a sum approximating $400,000. This alleged embezzlement consists in the conversion into cash of the $400,000 worth of "surcharged" Cuban postage stamps which were ordered destroyed, and which were certified as having been destroyed by the committee appointed for that purpose, of which Neely was the head.

AUGUSTA STREET RAILWAY

Officials Indicted for Violation of Law Requiring Separation of Races.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

AUGUSTA, GA., May 23.—D. B. Dyer, as President of the Augusta Railway and Electric Company, and E. C. Jefferson, the conductor in charge of the car upon which Alex. Whitney, a white man, was killed by a negro ten days ago, and for which the negro was subsequently lynched, have been indicted by the grand jury of Richmond county for alleged violation of the State law requiring the separation of races on public carriers.

THE NATIONAL LEAGUE.

Result of Base Ball Games Played Yesterday by the Clubs.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

Pittsburg — Brooklyn, 5; Pittsburg, 8.

St. Louis—Boston, 3; St. Louis, 2.

Chicago — Philadelphia, 3; Chicago, 5.

Cincinnati—New York, 15; Cincinnati, 4.

Little Rock, Ark., has been chosen as the 1901 meeting place of the Southern General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church. Two other cities invited the assembly.

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